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**Inmate Death at MDC Brooklyn**

WASHINGTON, D.C.: On Monday, January 25, 2021, inmate Edwin Segarra tested positive for COVID-19 at the Metropolitan Detention Center (MDC) Brooklyn in Brooklyn, New York and was immediately placed in medical isolation. On Friday, February 5, 2021, he was medically assessed after being found incoherent and displaying seizure-like movement. While being medically assessed, he became unresponsive and staff immediately initiated life-saving measures. Staff requested emergency medical services (EMS) and life-saving efforts continued during transport to a local hospital. Subsequently on the same day, Mr. Segarra, who had long-term, pre-existing medical conditions which the CDC lists as risk factors for developing more severe COVID-19 disease, was pronounced deceased.

Mr. Segarra was a 46-year-old male who arrived at MDC Brooklyn on March 2, 2016, under pretrial status after being indicted for Robbery.

MDC Brooklyn is an administrative security facility that currently houses 1,123 offenders.

The Bureau of Prisons will continue to provide daily updates and information on actions related to COVID-19 at [www.bop.gov/coronavirus/index.jsp](http://www.bop.gov/coronavirus/index.jsp).

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